BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence)	
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for a)	
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)	
Authorizing it to Install, Own, Acquire, Construct,)	File No. SA-2023-0437
Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain a Sewer)	
System in and around the Village of Luray,)	
Missouri.)	

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. ("Confluence Rivers"), and for its *Response to Staff Recommendation* states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

- 1. On June 23, 2023, Confluence Rivers filed an application asking the Commission to grant it a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") and approval to acquire the sewer system assets of the Village of Luray in Clark County, Missouri.
- 2. On October 16, 2023, Staff filed its *Staff Recommendation* and supporting *Memorandum* suggesting that the Commission approve Confluence Rivers' acquisition of the subject sewer system assets and issue a CCN, subject to 14 conditions described in Staff's *Memorandum*.
- 3. Confluence Rivers has reviewed the proposed conditions listed on pages 11-12 of Staff's *Memorandum* and has no objection to the proposed conditions.

WHEREFORE, Confluence Rivers requests the Commission issue an order approving Confluence Rivers' *Application* and granting Confluence Rivers a CCN as recommended in Staff's *Memorandum*, subject to the Staff conditions, and for such other and further relief as deemed

appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail this 19th day of October 2023, to all counsel of record.